METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY

Chairman: W. Arthur Grotz, 1962 Vice Chairman: Philip Heller Sachs, 1964

John A. Seamon, 1963; J. Purley Cooper, 1965; Howard C. Bregel, 1966.

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The Metropolitan Transit Authority was created by Chapter 670, Acts of 1961, to improve the mass transportation facilities in the area comprising Baltimore City and the metropolitan area in Baltimore County. The Authority may license, regulate, or acquire or operate mass transportation facilities in this area and regulate the Public Service Commission's present powers over such facilities. The Authority consists of five members, appointed for five year terms, one by the Governor, two by the Mayor of Baltimore City subject to the approval of the City Council, and two by the County Council of Baltimore County. Initially, the Governor's appointee will serve for three years. One of the Mayor's appointees will serve for one year and the other for five years. One of the County Council's appointees will serve for two years, while the other will serve for four years. The Authority elects its own Chairman and Vice Chairman and appoints the Secretary-Treasurer and Executive Director.

The Authority derives its operating revenue from a seat tax of \$4.00 per seat from transportation companies operating under its jurisdiction plus an annual fee or charge in amount equal to 1/20 of one percent of the gross receipts derived from the mass transportation operations within the area. It is estimated that the total revenue from these sources will approximate \$185,000 per annum.

Advisory Council

Albert L. Sklar, Chairman, Public Service Commission; Henry A. Barnes, Director of Transit and Traffic, Baltimore City; M. Peter Moser, Member, Planning Commission of Baltimore City; William E. Fornoff, Director, Public Safety, Baltimore County; Jay Jefferson Miller, Planning Commission, Baltimore County.

The Advisory Council was created to consult with the Authority about changes in routes, schedules, or services of any public or private transportation company. The Council consists of one member of the Public Service Commission, designated by the Governor; the Director of Transit and Traffic of Baltimore City; the Director of Public Safety of Baltimore County; and representatives of the Planning Commission of Baltimore City and the Planning Department of Baltimore County. Members of the Council serve for indefinite terms. (Code 1957, 1961 Supp., Art. 64B).

UPPER POTOMAC RIVER COMMISSION

Chairman: John J. McMullen, 1965

Allegany County Representative: Owen E. Hitchins, 1963 Garrett County Representative: E. Herbert Shaffer, 1963

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